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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 12 October 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Report of the Informal Working Group concerning the Council's documentation and other procedural questions

Sierra Leone

Other matters

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED BY RESOLUTION 661 (1990) CONCERNING THE SITUATION BETWEEN IRAQ AND KUWAIT

3.30 p.m.	190th meeting* (closed)	Conference Room 7

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* The Chairman will give an oral briefing to interested Members of the United Nations in the same room, immediately following the meeting. Following the oral briefing, the Chairman will give a briefing to the press.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	4th meeting	Conference Room 4

General debate (*continued*):

Myanmar
United Arab Emirates
Norway
Egypt
Oman
Indonesia
Malaysia
Japan
Croatia
Brazil

[Documents of the First Committee (A/C.1/54/INF.1)]

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	11th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	12th meeting	Conference Room 2

Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) [105] (A/54/98 and A/54/316)

Introduction and general discussion

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	8th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	9th meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Advancement of women [109] (A/54/3, A/54/38/Rev.1 (Suppl.), A/54/98, A/54/123-E/1999/66, A/54/124, A/54/156-E/1999/102, A/54/156/Add.1- E/1999/102/Add.1, A/54/224, A/54/225, A/54/341, A/54/342, A/54/352, A/54/405)

2. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women [110] (A/54/124, A/54/264, A/54/354)

Continuation of general discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 129 (Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola: Report of the Secretary-General on the findings of the Office of Internal Oversight on the procurement process in UNAVEM (A/53/1018)), 117 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors: (a) United Nations peacekeeping operations: (A/53/5 (Vol. II), A/53/932 and A/53/940)) and 130 (Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991): (a) United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission: Report of the Secretary-General on the developments relating to the issue of overpayment of mission subsistence allowance and compensatory time off and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/53/1023 and A/54/418))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 151 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of peacekeeping operations: (a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: Reimbursement regarding contingent-owned equipment (A/51/967 and Corr. 1-2, A/C.5/52/39, A/53/465 and A/53/944 and Corr.1))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	4th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-second session [156] (A/54/17)

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 12 October 1999

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(draft resolution on the external debt crisis)

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room C

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

1.15 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE
(draft resolutions on Beijing+5)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(draft resolutions on the external debt crisis and on science and technology)

3.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room C

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Briefing

The Office of the Iraq Programme will hold a briefing on the submission of applications for the oil-for-food programme *today*, 12 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8. The briefing is open to all interested Member and Observer States, United Nations agencies, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations. For further information, please call (212) 963-3083.

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There will be a meeting of the United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament *today*, 12 October 1999, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

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Announcement

As from Friday, 1 October 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226). In the event that room S-226 is occupied at that time, the briefing will take place in the Security Council Quiet Room.

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 13 October 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	5th meeting	Conference Room 4

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.	9th meeting	Conference Room 4

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	13th meeting	Conference Room 2

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	10th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	11th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	5th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Panel discussion

A panel discussion on the theme "Taking Stock of the Reform of the International Financial Architecture" will take place on Wednesday, 13 October 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The panel is in support of the Second Committee's consideration of agenda items 97 (a) (High-level international intergovernmental consideration of financing for development) and 97 (b) (Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries). H.E. Mr. Roble Olhaye (Djibouti), Chairman of the Second Committee, will chair the event. Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, will be the moderator. The panellists will be Mr. Jack Boorman, Director, Policy Development and Review Department, International Monetary Fund; Mr. Rodrigo Briones, Director, Deutsche Asset Management Americas, Deutsche Bank; Ms. Stephany Griffith- Jones, Senior Fellow, Institute of Development Studies, Sussex University; and Mr. Martin Mayer, Guest Scholar, Economic Studies, The Brookings Institution.

Briefing

A briefing on the issue of "Globalization" will be given by Mr. Thomas L. Friedman, Foreign Affairs Columnist of *The New York Times*, followed by an interactive period of questions and answers. The event, organized by the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be held on Thursday, 14 October 1999, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of delegations and Secretariat Staff are invited to attend.

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Convention to Combat Desertification

CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

List of speakers

The third session of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention to Combat Desertification will take place from 15 to 26 November 1999 in Recife, Brazil. The special segment on the implementation of the Convention will be held from 22 to 24 November 1999. Statements at this segment will be open to Parties, observers, international intergovernmental organizations, multilateral agencies and institutions accredited to the Conference, United Nations programmes and specialized agencies with representation at the appropriate level. It is suggested that the average time for each statement should not exceed 6 minutes.

The list of speakers for the special segment on 22 and 23 November is now open in New York. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for this segment are requested to contact the office of the Secretary of the Conference of the Parties (Ms. June Chesney; tel.: (212) 963-5742; fax: (212) 963-5935).

A list of speakers for other statements by Parties and observers in the Plenary during the first week of the session will open in Recife on Monday, 15 November.

The provisional agenda and the organization of work contained in document ICCD/COP(3)/1 can be retrieved from the Optical Disk System or from the Convention Web site at the following address: http://www.unccd.de

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be meetings of the Group of 77 of the Third Committee *(draft resolutions on racial discrimination)* on Wednesday, 13 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, and 3 p.m. in Conference Room D.

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There will be a closed meeting of the Arab Group of the Whole *(at the ambassadorial level)* on Wednesday, 13 October 1999, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

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There will be a meeting of interested States to discuss the First Committee draft resolution on illicit trafficking in small arms on Wednesday, 13 October 1999, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room D.

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There will be a meeting of the Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations of the Non-Aligned Movement on Wednesday, 13 October 1999, from 3.30 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

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Threre will be a meeting of the International Association of Permanent Representatives to the United Nations (IAPR) on Thursday, 14 October 1999, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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There will be meetings of the Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)* on Thursday, 14 October, from 6.15 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. and on Friday, 15 October 1999, from 1.45 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda item 37 (Implementation of the Outcome of the World Summit for Social Development), under the chairmanship of Ms. Marcela Nicodemos (Brazil), on Thursday, 14 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

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Briefings

There will be a briefing on the theme "International Day for the Eradication of Poverty: A Focus on Women", organized by the NGO Section of the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Development and Human Rights Section of DPI and the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), on Thursday, 14 October 1999, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. The moderator will be Ms. Carolyn Schuler Uluc, Officer-in-Charge, Public Liaison Service, DPI. Ms. Sonia Felicity Elliott, First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Guyana, Ms. Diane Elson, Special Advisor to the Executive Director, UNIFEM, and Ms. Njoki Njehu, Board Member, Jubilee 2000, will be the speakers. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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There will be a briefing, convened by the Chairpersons of the Commission on the Status of Women and the Preparatory Committee for the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century", on Thursday, 14 October 1999, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 9, on the organization of work of the forty-fourth session of the Commission and the third session of the Preparatory Committee. A non-paper will be available *today*, 12 October 1999, at the Division for the Advancement of Women of the Department of the Economic and Social Affairs (room DC2-1216).

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United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Informal consultations on draft resolutions related to agenda item 40 (Oceans and the law of the sea) will be held on Wednesday, 13 October 1999, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, as follows: from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on sub-item (a) (Law of the Sea); from 11 a.m. to 11.30 on sub-item (b) (Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982, relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks); and from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on sub-item (c) (Results of the review by the Commission on Sustainable Development of the sectoral theme of "oceans and seas").

Delegations interested in obtaining reporting material on agenda item 40 (Oceans and the law of the sea) are invited to visit the Web site of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea at the following address: http://www.un.org/Depts/los

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Seminars

The United Nations University (UNU) and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) are jointly organizing the third and final session of their 1999 series "Sustainable Development in Practice" Session III, entitled "Climate Change Governance: Fifth Session of the Conference of Parties and the Kyoto Protocol Negotiations." The seminar, to be conducted in English, will be held on 13 and 14 October 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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A seminar on "The Development and Reform of Pension Systems", organized by the Division for Social Policy and Development of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, in cooperation with the International Labour Office, will be held on Monday, 18 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B. The seminar, held within the framework of preparations for the special session of the General Assembly on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and Further Initiatives, will be conducted by Mr. Colin Gillion, Director of the Department of Social Security of ILO. Members of delegations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Steven Miller (tel.: (212) 963-7535).

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Symposium

A symposium on "Nuclear Doctrines", organized by the Department for Disarmament Affairs, will be held on Monday, 18 October 1999, from 1 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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Workshop

The UNITAR/UTA/WTO Workshop on International Trade Negotiations will take place from 20 to 22 October 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in New York. The nomination form was already sent out to all the permanent missions, with the information note. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 13 October 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Monday, 11 October 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

33rd plenary meeting

Organization of work of the fifty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items [8]:

(a) Second report of the General Committee (A/54/250/Add.1)

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fourth session an additional item entitled "Observer status for the Community of Portuguese-Speaking Countries in the General Assembly" and to consider the item directly in plenary meeting.

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fourth session an additional sub-item entitled "Relocation of South Africa to the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232" as a sub-item of agenda item 151 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations) and to allocate the sub-item to the Fifth Committee.

The President recalled that the General Assembly had allocated sub-item (a) entitled "Operational activities for development of the United Nations System" of agenda item 101 (Operational activities for development) to the Second Committee. The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to also consider directly in plenary meeting sub-item (a) of agenda item 101, on the understanding that only the topic entitled "Follow-up of the World Summit for Children" would be considered in the plenary.

(b) Date of the commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the Convention on the Rights of the Child

The President recalled that the General Assembly, at its 3rd plenary meeting on 17 September 1999, had decided to hold the commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the Convention on the Rights of the Child on Monday, 15 November, in the morning. The Assembly, on the proposal of President, decided that the commemoration would be held on Thursday, 11 November 1999, in the morning.

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (A/54/1) [10]

Statements were made by the representatives of Cameroon, Tunisia, Uruguay, Yemen, Indonesia, Nigeria, Haiti, Cyprus and Bolivia.

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (A/54/1).

The General Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 10.

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE — 3rd meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

The Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs made a statement.

General debate

The Committee began its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Mexico, Finland (on behalf of the European Union), New Zealand, Bangladesh, Switzerland, South Africa, Chile and Algeria.

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) — 8th meeting

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories [89]

The Chairman drew attention to the basic documentation relating to the item (A/54/73 and Add.1, A/54/181-185 and A/54/325).

The representative of Sri Lanka, in his capacity as Chairman of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories, introduced the report of the Committee (A/54/325).

The Committee began its general debate and heard statements made by the representatives of the United States, Finland (on behalf of the European Union, the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union - Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia - and the associated countries, Cyprus and Malta), Egypt, Senegal, Malaysia, Jordan and the United Arab Emirates.

The observer for Palestine made a statement.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to close the list of speakers in the general debate on the item at 6 p.m. the same day.

Organization of work

The Chairman reminded the Committee that the deadline for submission of draft resolutions on item 89 was at 6 p.m. the same day.

Statements were made by the representatives of Egypt and the Syrian Arab Republic, as well as by the observer for Palestine.

The Committee decided, on the proposals made by several delegations, to extend the deadline for submission of the draft resolutions on item 89 on Tuesday, 2 November, when the Committee would begin its consideration of agenda item 88 (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East).

SECOND COMMITTEE 9th meeting

Macroeconomic policy questions [97]

(d) Science and technology for development

(e) External debt crisis and development

The Committee continued its consideration of item 97 and its sub-items (d) and (e).

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Mexico, Ecuador, Norway, Nigeria, Turkey, India, Japan, China, Ethiopia, Ghana, Myanmar, Indonesia, Uganda, Jamaica, Pakistan, the United Republic of Tanzania, Ukraine and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

10th meeting

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 97 and its sub-items (d) and (e).

Statements were made by the representatives of Botswana, Venezuela, South Africa, the Philippines, Haiti, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and the Republic of Korea.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of sub-items (d) and (e) of item 97.

THIRD COMMITTEE 7th meeting

Advancement of women [109]

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women [110]

The Committee began its consideration of the item and heard introductory statements by the Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Gender Issues and the Advancement of Women and the Director of the United Nations Development Fund for Women.

A statement was made by the Chairperson of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW).

A statement was also made by the representative of the Joint Inspection Unit.

The Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Gender Issues and the Advancement of Women responded to questions raised by the representatives of Tunisia, Norway, Cuba and Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

Statements were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Cyprus and Iceland), Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Bangladesh, Norway, the United States, Japan, Senegal, Brazil, Cuba, Chile, New Zealand and Burkina Faso.

A statement was also made by the representative of the United Nations Population Fund.

Organization of work

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee agreed to regularize its procedures for taking action on draft proposals by assigning part of one day each week (3 p.m. every Thursday) for that purpose.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 3rd meeting

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-second session [156]

The Chairman of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law introduced the report on the work of the thirty-second session of the Commission.

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico (on behalf of the Rio Group), Japan, Austria, Brazil, the United Kingdom, Finland (on behalf of the Nordic countries), Malaysia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, France, Germany, the Russian Federation, China, Canada and Hungary.

The Chairman of the Committee spoke.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE
RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Twenty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

WEDNESDAY, 6 OCTOBER 1999

582nd and 583rd (closed) meetings

Consideration of reports by States parties [4]

The Committee considered concluding observations in closed session.

THURSDAY, 7 OCTOBER 1999

584th and 585th (closed) meetings

Consideration of reports by States parties [4]

The Committee adopted concluding observations in closed session.

FRIDAY, 8 OCTOBER 1999

586th meeting

Consideration of reports by States parties [4]

The Committee dealt with consideration of reports in closed session.

Future meetings [8]

The Committee considered the item in closed session.

Adoption of the draft report

The Committee adopted the draft report (CRC/C/90) on the work of its twenty-second session in an open meeting.

The Chairman then declared the twenty-second session of the Committee closed.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. New York, 18 December 1979

Accession: Tuvalu (6 October 1999)*

Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal. Basel, 22 March 1989

Accession: Ukraine (8 October 1999)*

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Copenhagen, 25 November 1992

Ratification: Niger (8 October 1999)*

Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes. Helsinki, 17 March 1992

Accession: Ukraine (8 October 1999)*

Convention providing a Uniform Law for Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes. Geneva, 7 June 1930

Accession: Ukraine (8 October 1999)*

Convention for the Settlement of Certain Conflicts of Laws in connection with Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes. Geneva, 7 June 1930

Accession: Ukraine (8 October 1999)*

Convention on the Stamp Laws in connection with Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes. Geneva, 7 June 1930

Accession: Ukraine (8 October 1999)*

Protocol on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Seabed Authority. Kingston, 27 March 1998

Signature: Saudi Arabia (11 October 1999)

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer adopted by the Ninth Meeting of the Parties. Montreal, 17 September 1997

Ratification: Niger (8 October 1999)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

International Day for the Eradication of Poverty

On the occasion of the International Day of the Eradication of Poverty 1999 and to mark the tenth anniversary of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, together with the International Movement ATD Fourth World, will hold a commemoration on Friday, 15 October 1999, from 12.45 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. in the United Nations garden. There will be a performance by children of the Tapori Movement and traditional Bolivian music will be performed by Sumaj Chasquis. All members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of United Nations agencies and programmes, representatives of non-governmental organizations and accredited correspondents are invited to attend.

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World Food Day 1999

An observance of the World Food Day 1999, under the theme "Youth Against Hunger", will take place on Tuesday, 19 October 1999, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (immediately following the adjournment of the morning meeting of the Second Committee). Statements will be made by the President of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Theo-Ben Gurirab, the Deputy Secretary-General, Ms. Louise Fréchette, the President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Mr. Francesco Paolo Fulci, and the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Mr. Jacques Diouf. Professor M. S. Swaminathan, Chairman of the M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation, will be the keynote speaker. All members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of United Nations agencies and programmes, representatives of non-governmental organizations and accredited correspondents are invited to attend.

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